

Remarks

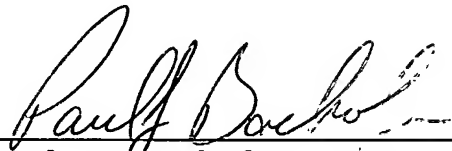
Claims 1-16 remain pending in the application.

Conclusion

Please consider the claims as amended, allow the claims and pass the case to issue.

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